

# Town Board Minutes

**March 13, 2006**

**Meeting No. 7**

A joint meeting of the Town Board and the Planning Board of the Town of Lancaster, New York, was held at the Lancaster Town Hall, 21 Central Avenue, Lancaster, New York on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2006, at 6:30 PM and there were

**PRESENT:** DANIEL AMATURA, COUNCIL MEMBER  
MARK MONTOUR, COUNCIL MEMBER  
RONALD RUFFINO, COUNCIL MEMBER  
DONNA STEMPIAK, COUNCIL MEMBER  
ROBERT GIZA, SUPERVISOR  
JOHN GOBER, PLANNING BOARD MEMBER  
LAWRENCE KORZENIEWSKI, PLANNING BOARD MEMBER  
MICHAEL MYSZKA, PLANNING BOARD MEMBER  
STEVEN SOCHA, PLANNING BOARD MEMBER  
STANLEY KEYSA, PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN

**ABSENT:** REBECCA ANDERSON, PLANNING BOARD MEMBER  
MELVIN SZYMANSKI, PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

**ALSO PRESENT:** JOHANNA COLEMAN, TOWN CLERK  
RICHARD SHERWOOD, TOWN ATTORNEY  
LEONARD CAMPISANO, ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR  
ROBERT LABENSKI, TOWN ENGINEER

## **PURPOSE OF MEETING:**

This joint meeting of the Town Board and Planning Board of the Town of Lancaster was held for the purpose of acting as a Municipal Review Committee for three (3) actions.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SEQR REVIEW OF  
PLEASANT MEADOWS SUBDIVISION III**

The Municipal Review Committee proceeded with the short Environmental Assessment Form on the Pleasant Meadows Subdivision III matter with an item for item review and discussion of the project impact and magnitude as outlined on the Short Environmental Assessment Form, entitled "Part II Environmental Assessment", which was provided to each member.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED BY  
COUNCIL MEMBER STEMPNIAK, WHO MOVED  
ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY PLANNING  
BOARD MEMBER KORZENIEWSKI, TO WIT:

**RESOLVED**, that the following Negative Declaration be adopted.

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION:  
PLEASANT MEADOWS SUBDIVISION III  
NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that the Town of Lancaster, acting as the designated lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, has reviewed the following described proposed action, which is an unlisted action, through its designated Municipal Review Committee, and that committee having found no significant environmental impact relative to the criteria found in 6NYCRR, Part 617.7, the lead agency now issues a Negative Declaration for the purposes of Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law in accordance with 617.12.

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF LEAD AGENCY**

Town of Lancaster  
21 Central Avenue  
Lancaster, New York 14086  
Richard J. Sherwood, Town Attorney  
716-684-3342

**NATURE, EXTENT AND LOCATION OF ACTION:**

The proposed development is of a parcel involving approximately 3.5± acres.

The location of the premises being reviewed is situate Pleasant View Drive, Town of Lancaster, County of Erie, New York.

## REASONS SUPPORTING DETERMINATION

The lead agency, the Town of Lancaster, through the review of the Municipal Review Committee, which is made up of at least three (3) members of the Town Board of the Town of Lancaster together with at least three (3) members of the Planning Board of the Town of Lancaster, has found, in their item for item completion of the Short Environmental Assessment Form on this proposed action as follows:

- A. The action does not exceed any type 1 threshold in 6 NYCRR, Part 617.4.
- B. The action will receive coordinated review as provided for unlisted actions in 6 NYCRR, Part 617.6.
- C. The proposed action will not result in any adverse effects associated with the following: (except as noted)
  - C.1 Existing air quality, surface or groundwater quality or quantity, noise levels, existing traffic patterns, solid waste production or disposal, potential for erosion, drainage or flooding problems.

**While no significant adverse effects are noted, it is noted that “T” turnarounds will be required for all nine [9] sublots.**

- C.2 Aesthetic, agricultural, archaeological, historic, or other natural or cultural resources; or community or neighborhood character.

**No significant adverse effects noted; however, lands adjacent to this site have been studied for paleontological and archeological value and have been determined not to have significant value.**

- C.3 Vegetation or fauna, fish, shellfish or wildlife species significant habitats, or threatened or endangered species.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.4 A community's existing plans or goals as officially adopted, or a change in use or intensity of use of land or other natural resources.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.5 Growth, subsequent development, or related activities likely to be induced by the proposed action.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.6 Long term, short term, cumulative, or other effects not identified in C1-C5.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.7 Other impacts (including changes in use of either quantity or type of energy).

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- D. The Town of Lancaster has not established a critical environmental area (CEA) pursuant to subdivision 6NYCRR617.14(g), therefore the proposed action will not impact the exceptional or unique characteristics of a critical environmental area (CEA).
- E. There is not, nor is there likely to be, controversy related to potential adverse environmental impacts.

s/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert H. Giza, Supervisor  
Town of Lancaster

SEAL

March 13, 2006

and,

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Lancaster be and is hereby authorized to execute a "Negative Declaration" Notice of Determination of Non-Significance in this matter, and

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Town Attorney's Office prepare and file a "Negative Declaration" Notice of Determination of Non-Significance in this matter with the petitioner and with all required New York State and Erie County agencies, filing a copy of the letter of transmittal and "Negative Declaration" with the Town Clerk.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Notice of Determination was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

COUNCIL MEMBER AMATURA	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER MONTOUR	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER RUFFINO	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER STEMPNIAK	VOTED YES
SUPERVISOR GIZA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER ANDERSON	WAS ABSENT
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER GOBER	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER KORZENIEWSKI	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER MYSZKA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SOCHA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SZYMANSKI	WAS ABSENT
PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN KEYSA	VOTED YES

The Notice of Determination was thereupon unanimously adopted.

March 13, 2006

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SEQR REVIEW OF  
NICHOLAS HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION**

The Municipal Review Committee proceeded with the short Environmental Assessment Form on Nicholas Heights Subdivision matter with an item for item review and discussion of the project impact and magnitude as outlined on the Short Environmental Assessment Form, entitled "Part II Environmental Assessment", which was provided to each member.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED  
BY PLANNING BOARD MEMBER GOBER  
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY  
COUNCIL MEMBER RUFFINO, TO WIT:

**RESOLVED**, that the following Negative Declaration be adopted.

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION:  
NICHOLAS HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION  
NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that the Town of Lancaster, acting as the designated lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, has reviewed the following described proposed action, which is an unlisted action, through its designated Municipal Review Committee, and that committee having found no significant environmental impact relative to the criteria found in 6NYCRR, Part 617.7, the lead agency now issues a Negative Declaration for the purposes of Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law in accordance with 617.12.

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF LEAD AGENCY**

Town of Lancaster  
21 Central Avenue  
Lancaster, New York 14086  
Richard J. Sherwood, Town Attorney  
716-684-3342

**NATURE, EXTENT AND LOCATION OF ACTION:**

The proposed development is of a parcel involving approximately 19± acres.

The location of the premises being reviewed is situate 5067 William Street, Town of Lancaster, County of Erie, New York.

## REASONS SUPPORTING DETERMINATION

The lead agency, the Town of Lancaster, through the review of the Municipal Review Committee, which is made up of at least three (3) members of the Town Board of the Town of Lancaster together with at least three (3) members of the Planning Board of the Town of Lancaster, has found, in their item for item completion of the Short Environmental Assessment Form on this proposed action as follows:

- A. The action does not exceed any type 1 threshold in 6 NYCRR, Part 617.4.
- B. The action will receive coordinated review as provided for unlisted actions in 6 NYCRR, Part 617.6.
- C. The proposed action will not result in any adverse effects associated with the following: (except as noted)
  - C.1 Existing air quality, surface or groundwater quality or quantity, noise levels, existing traffic patterns, solid waste production or disposal, potential for erosion, drainage or flooding problems.

           **No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.2 Aesthetic, agricultural, archaeological, historic, or other natural or cultural resources; or community or neighborhood character.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.3 Vegetation or fauna, fish, shellfish or wildlife species significant habitats, or threatened or endangered species.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.4 A community's existing plans or goals as officially adopted, or a change in use or intensity of use of land or other natural resources.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.5 Growth, subsequent development, or related activities likely to be induced by the proposed action.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.6 Long term, short term, cumulative, or other effects not identified in C1-C5.

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- C.7 Other impacts (including changes in use of either quantity or type of energy).

**No significant adverse effects noted**

- D. The Town of Lancaster has not established a critical environmental area (CEA) pursuant

to subdivision 6NYCRR617.14(g), therefore the proposed action will not impact the exceptional or unique characteristics of a critical environmental area (CEA).

- E. There is not, nor is there likely to be, controversy related to potential adverse environmental impacts.

s/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert H. Giza, Supervisor  
Town of Lancaster

SEAL

March 13, 2006

and,

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Lancaster be and is hereby authorized to execute a "Negative Declaration" Notice of Determination of Non-Significance in this matter, and

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Town Attorney's Office prepare and file a "Negative Declaration" Notice of Determination of Non-Significance in this matter with the petitioner and with all required New York State and Erie County agencies, filing a copy of the letter of transmittal and "Negative Declaration" with the Town Clerk.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Notice of Determination was duly put to a voice vote which resulted as follows:

COUNCIL MEMBER AMATURA	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER MONTOUR	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER RUFFINO	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER STEMPNIAK	VOTED YES
SUPERVISOR GIZA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER ANDERSON	WAS ABSENT
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER GOBER	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER KORZENIEWSKI	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER MYSZKA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SOCHA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SZYMANSKI	WAS ABSENT
PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN KEYSA	VOTED YES

The Notice of Determination was thereupon unanimously adopted.

March 13, 2006

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SEQR REVIEW OF THE  
LARKSPUR EAST PATIO HOMES SUBDIVISION**

The Municipal Review Committee reopened the Environmental Assessment Review on the Larkspur East Patio Homes matter which was tabled on September 6, 2005. The Review specifically addressed items number 12 and 20 as outlined on the Long Environmental Form entitled “Part 2 Project Impacts and Their Magnitude”.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS OFFERED  
BY PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SOCHA  
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY  
COUNCIL MEMBER AMATURA, TO WIT:

**RESOLVED**, that the following Negative Declaration be adopted:

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION  
LARKSPUR EAST PATIO HOMES SUBDIVISION  
NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that the Town of Lancaster, acting as the designated lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, has reviewed the following described proposed action, which is an unlisted action, through its designated Municipal Review Committee, and that committee having found no significant environmental impact relative to the criteria found in 6NYCRR, Part 617.7, the lead agency now issues a Negative Declaration for the purposes of Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law in accordance with 617.12.

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF LEAD AGENCY**

Town of Lancaster  
21 Central Avenue  
Lancaster, New York 14086  
Richard J. Sherwood, Town Attorney  
716-684-3342

**NATURE, EXTENT AND LOCATION OF ACTION:**

The proposed development is of a parcel involving approximately 15± acres.

The location of the premises being reviewed is situate on Primrose Lane, Town of Lancaster, County of Erie, New York.



### **ADDITIONAL REASONS SUPPORTING DETERMINATION**

The lead agency, the Town of Lancaster, through the review of the Municipal Review Committee, which is made up of at least three (3) members of the Town Board of the Town of Lancaster together with at least three (3) members of the Planning Board of the Town of Lancaster, has addressed the following:

12. The proposed action may have a small to moderate impact upon a site or structure of historic, pre-historic or paleontological importance.
  - While this site appears to be located in an archaeologically sensitive area as shown on the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) website, that agency has informed this body that the project will have no adverse impact upon archaeological resources. (Refer to letter dated October 5, 2005 from OPRHP to William Tuyn and letter dated March 10, 2006 from the Town Attorney to the Town Board).
20. There is not, nor is there likely to be, public controversy related to potential adverse environmental impacts.

**SEAL**

s/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert H. Giza, Supervisor  
Town of Lancaster

March 20, 2006

and,

### **BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED**, that the Supervisor of the Town of Lancaster be and is hereby authorized to execute a "Negative Declaration" Notice of Determination of Non-Significance in this matter, and

### **BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Attorney's Office prepare and file a "Negative Declaration" Notice of Determination of Non-Significance in this matter with the petitioner and with all required New York State and Erie County agencies, filing a copy of the letter of

transmittal and "Negative Declaration" with the Town Clerk.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Notice of Determination was duly put to a voice vote which resulted as follows:

COUNCIL MEMBER AMATURA	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER MONTOUR	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER RUFFINO	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER STEMPNIAK	VOTED YES
SUPERVISOR GIZA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER ANDERSON	WAS ABSENT
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER GOBER	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER KORZENIEWSKI	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER MYSZKA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SOCHA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SZYMANSKI	WAS ABSENT
PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN KEYSA	VOTED YES

The Notice of Determination was thereupon unanimously adopted.  
March 13, 2006

**ADJOURNMENT:**

ON MOTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER MONTOUR AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STEMPNIAK FOR ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING, which resulted as follows:

COUNCIL MEMBER AMATURA	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER MONTOUR	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER RUFFINO	VOTED YES
COUNCIL MEMBER STEMPNIAK	VOTED YES
SUPERVISOR GIZA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER ANDERSON	WAS ABSENT
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER GOBER	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER KORZENIEWSKI	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER MYSZKA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SOCHA	VOTED YES
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER SZYMANSKI	WAS ABSENT
PLANNING BOARD CHAIRMAN KEYSA	VOTED YES

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 P.M.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Johanna M. Coleman, Town Clerk